

Hearing set for 10:00 AM  
Hearing start at 10:14 AM  
Hearing ended at 10:38 AM

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO**

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS:**

**HONORABLE DANIEL R. DOMINGUEZ, U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE**

COURTROOM DEPUTY: Ana M. Romero

Date: May 28, 2019

COURT REPORTER: Robin Dispenzieri

Case CR-17-034 (DRD)

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Attorneys:

AUSA Vanessa Bonhomme

vs.

JUAN O. VELEZ-MIRANDA  
JOSE MORENO-DIAZ  
MICHAEL ROJAS-MONTALVO  
GABRIEL A. RAMOS-ALERS  
JEAN PIERRE DE LA ROSA-PRATTS  
ANGEL RIVERA-RIVERA  
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JUAN C. ARVELO-LOPEZ

Jasón González, Esq.  
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Thomas Lincoln, Esq. (not present)  
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Yassmin González, Esq.  
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**CASE CALLED FOR PRETRIAL CONFERENCE**

The Court authorized the following substitutions: Attorney Jason Gonzalez for Attorneys Raul Mariani and Thomas Lincoln.

- The Court was informed the status of the case.
- Government informed that plea negotiations are ongoing. AUSA Bonhomme the status of each pending defendant.
  - Defendant #1: Need to re-schedule meeting with Attorney Jason Gonzalez for plea negotiation.
  - Defendant #2: An agreement was reached.
  - Defendant#3: Filed motion to sever, government request time to respond. The Court granted the request. Government shall file reply by 6/27/2019.
  - Defendant #4: An agreement was reached.

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- Defendant #6: Motion for Change of Plea pending.
- Defendant #7: Submitted counter offer on 5/20/2019.
- Defendant #8: Submitted counter offer, pending approval of
- Defendant #10: Recent appointed counsel needs additional time to engage in plea negotiations.
- Defendant #11: Defendant will enter plea. Change of Plea Hearing was set for 06/20/2019 @ 11:00 AM.

The Court made a finding that the Speedy Trial remains tolled in the interest of justice which outweighs the best interest of the public and the defendants under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 3161(h)(7)(A) until the next conference.

**Pretrial Conference is set for 06/28/2019 at 10:00 AM in Old San Juan Courtroom before Judge Daniel R. Dominguez. The third point for acceptance of responsibility will not be granted after May 28, 2019. Parties shall come prepare to set trial date.**

s/ Ana M. Romero  
Ana M. Romero  
Courtroom Deputy Clerk